



House Bill No. 5229

Public Act No. 14-95

AN ACT CONCERNING THE EXPANSION OF A SMALL HOUSE NURSING HOME PILOT PROGRAM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Section 17b-372 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

(a) As used in this section, "small house nursing home" means an alternative nursing home facility that (1) consists of one or more units that are designed and modeled as a private home, (2) houses no more than fourteen individuals in each unit, (3) includes private rooms and bathrooms, (4) provides for an increased role for support staff in the care of residents, (5) incorporates a philosophy of individualized care, and (6) is licensed as a nursing home under chapter 368v.

(b) The Commissioner of Social Services may ~~[establish]~~ expand, within available appropriations, a pilot program to support the development of one or more small house nursing ~~[home]~~ homes in the state in order to improve the quality of life for nursing home residents and to support a goal of providing nursing home care in a more home-like and less institution-like setting. [The total number of beds under such project shall not exceed two hundred eighty beds.]

(c) A small house nursing home developed under this section shall

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comply with the provisions of sections 17b-352 to 17b-354, inclusive.

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